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FM AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6668

INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE

USMISSION GENEVA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PORG EWWT SEVN PLOS IMFO UNEP SW IMCO

SUBJECT: LONDON OCEAN DUMPING CONVENTION: SECRETARIAT

REFS: (A) STATE 291475 (NOTAL) (B) STATE 293402

CHARGE CALLED ON UNEP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAURICE  
STRONG DECEMBER 15 AND EXPLAINED U.S. POSITION ON OCEAN  
DUMPING CONVENTION SECRETARIAT IN ACCORDANCE INSTRUCTIONS  
REFTELS. STRONG EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR BEING  
INFORMED OF U.S. POSITION ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE, BUT  
EMPHASIZED THAT HE AND TOLBA (WHO IS ABSENT FROM NAIROBI  
THIS WEEK) FEEL STRONGLY THAT LONDON MEETING MUST  
EXPLICITLY RECOGNIZE UNEP'S RESPONSIBILITY IN OCEAN  
POLLUTION FIELD. THATCHER HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO PURSUE  
THIS GOAL INITIALLY BY REQUESTING ESTABLISHMENT OF  
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SECRETARIAT IN UNEP AS HAD BEEN DONE IN CASE OF ENDANGERED

SPECIES. HOWEVER, STRONG SAID UNEP CANNOT REALISTICALLY OVERCOME STRONG OPPOSITION OF MAJOR POWERS; THEREFORE THATCHER HAS FALL BACK INSTRUCTION TO ACCEPT "SECOND BEST" SOLUTION OF AGREEING TO CREATION OF SECRETARIAT IN IMCO PROVIDED UNEP RESPONSIBILITIES IN OCEAN POLLUTION FIELD ARE EXPLICITLY RECOGNIZED IN SOME OTHER FASHION BY PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS. HE SAID UNEP HAS NO QUARREL WITH IMCO, BUT POINTED OUT THAT IMCO HAS EXPERTISE IN ONLY ONE FORM OF OCEAN POLLUTION, THAT WHICH IS DERIVED FROM SHIPPING. STRONG SAID ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNEP RESPONSIBILITIES IN THIS FIELD GOES TO "HEART OF ISSUE AS TO WHY UNEP WAS CREATED" AND FAILURE TO ACCORD EXPLICIT ROLE OF UNEP WOULD HAVE DISASTROUS EFFECT ON MORALE OF UNEP STAFF.

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